

Task Force Vision Statement

This statement expresses the desire of the Multi-Modal Task Force to begin the transformation of Lincoln and Lancaster County into a multi-modal friendly community. It is grounded in the concepts and direction offered by the adopted Lincoln City - Lancaster County 2025 Comprehensive Plan, and it speaks to the need to provide transportation choices for all members of our community. It also indicates that the Multi-Modal Transportation Plan is a dynamic document and is part of a continuing long term effort.

The Lincoln-Lancaster Comprehensive Plan's "Vision" states the need to maintain and enhance the health, safety, and welfare of our community and to promote our ideals and values as changes occur.

In seeking this "Vision," the Comprehensive Plan recognizes that our overall quality of life is built upon a rich treasure of architectural, economic, environmental, cultural, and educational assets. The key to our success as a city and county is ensuring access to these assets for all residents of the community.

In short, mobility for the young and old, the able and those less able, and those with means and those with lesser means, is essential for our community's economic vitality, social interaction, and quality of life.

This Multi-Modal Transportation Plan is a combination of practicality and vision. It offers both broad policy guidance and specific actions for improving mobility options for all residents of our community. The Plan recognizes that expanding and enhancing travel choices takes time – while there are clear actions we can take today to improve our transportation system, many other actions are incremental and can only be accomplished over a long period of time.

The goal of this Plan is to link people with jobs, recreation, medical facilities, education, shopping, cultural, and other daily activities by



offering transportation choices consistent with the community's adopted long range Vision.

While acknowledging the automobile will remain as our community's dominant form of transportation, this Plan looks for ways to increase the availability and usage of other travel modes — as solutions for meeting the mobility challenges we face today and will continue to face in the future. A seamless transportation network better serving all Lincoln residents and businesses will be possible with the help of the multi-modal concepts contained in this Plan.

The Multi-Modal Transportation Plan is viewed as a dynamic document, requiring continued discussion, analysis, implementation, and adaptation as the community changes and grows. By maximizing existing investments, improving operating efficiencies, expanding into untapped travel markets, and pursuing practical mobility and development policies, our local transportation system will become more effective and will be better able to meet the diverse travel needs of individuals and families across the breadth of the city and county.